

TB-Testing Requirements of Cattle Entering Indiana

The recent reemergence of bovine tuberculosis (TB) in the United States has prompted Indiana's new rule for cattle (including bison) entering the state. This new rule is intended to protect Indiana's cattle industry and TB-free status. Animals entering Indiana must be individually and officially identified and moved on a 30-day certificate of veterinary inspection. A pre-entry permit may be obtained 24 hours a day from BOAH at 317-227-0316.

Dairy Cattle (effective June 1, 2005)

- All sexually intact female cattle of dairy breeds (including crossbreeds), six months of age or older, must test negative for TB within 60 days prior to entering Indiana, regardless of the state of origin status.
- Exhibition animals moving into and out of Indiana within 10 days must follow the import testing requirements listed below for the status of their state of origin. Additional dairy-specific testing is not required.

All Other Cattle and Bison (effective May 14, 2005)

TB-Free States and Zones

- Cattle or bison, **excluding** dairy breed females (see above), may move with no restrictions.

Modified Accredited Advanced States or Zones

(most of Michigan, Texas and New Mexico)

- Cattle and bison, **excluding** dairy breed females (see above), must test negative for tuberculosis within 60 days prior to entering Indiana if they are 18 months of age and older.

Modified Accredited States or Zones

(TB-infected zone in northeastern Michigan)

- Steers and spayed heifers two months of age and older must test negative for tuberculosis within 60 days prior to entering Indiana.
- All sexually intact animals must originate from herds that test negative for TB within one year prior to the date of movement into Indiana; and be individually tested within 60 days prior to entering if the animal is two months of age or older.

Exceptions to TB Testing Requirements

(all sexes, breeds, and states or zones)

- Animals moving directly to slaughter or to slaughter through only one approved livestock facility.
- Animals originating from an accredited herd (note accredited number must be provided).
- Animals moved in accordance with a BOAH-approved commuter herd agreement.

For more information on the BOAH website at www.boah.in.gov or call the Cattle/Ruminant Division at 317-227-0316.



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